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FM AMEMBASSY ADDIS ABABA

TO MARSCTYGDBN WASHDC NIACT IMMEDIATE

AMEMBASSY BEIRUT NIACT IMMEDIATE

AMCONSUL BOMBAY NIACT IMMEDIATE

AMCONSUL FRANKFURT NIACT IMMEDIATE

AMEMBASSY NAIROBI NIACT IMMEDIATE

SECSTATE WASHDC NIACT IMMEDIATE 6459

UNCLAS ADDIS ABABA 11550

BN FOR COL KOETHE PERSONALLY

BEY FOR CO CO "B"

BOMBAY FOR NCOIC PLS PASS TO LTCOL APPEZZATO

FKT FOR CO CO "A"

NBO FOR NCOIC

STATE FOR A/SY/FO

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: MILI

SUBJECT: CO'S CONF

1. ADDIS AIRPORT UNOFF CLOSED THIS MORN AS RESULT OF INCIDENT OCCURRING THEREAT AND RESULTANT STRIKE. ADVICE FR MISSION OFFICIALS, BASED ON INFO THEY GATHERED DUR MORN, IS THAT NO FIRM PREDICTION CAN BE MADE RE RELIABILITY OF FLTS LANDING; PERHAPS W/IN 24 HOURS OR NOT FOR DAYS. THERE IS ANOTHER POSS THAT IT WOULD BE PARTIALLY REOPENED OVER THIS WKEND AND FLTS OTHER THAN ET MAY OPERATE.

2. IN VIEW OF ABOVE, UNPREDICTIBLE NATURE LOCAL SIT INGEN, AND CRITICAL FUNDS OBLIGATED FOR CONF TRIP, THOUGHT YOU SHOULD BE ADV. IN MAY OPINION THERE IS FAIR CHANCE THAT AIRPORT WILL BE OPEN W/IN FEW DAY FOR OPNS. OTHER THAN ET FLTS FR NBO AND ELSEWHERE TO ADDIS MIGHT THEN ENABLE ALL CONF ATTENDEES TO MAKE IT INTO ADDIS THO THIS CANNOT BE UNCLASSIFIED

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GUARANTEED. RECOM THAT ALL CONT ITIN TO NBO, WHICH IS

APPROX ONE AND A HALF HRS AWAY BY PLANE, AND AWAIT DEVELOPMENTS. THERE ARE NO CONF FAC IMMEDIATE AVAIL IN NBO OTHER THAN MH WHICH WOULD BE CROWDED.

3. CO CO "C" HELD IN BOMBAY. CO CO "D" ENROUTE TO NYC (ASSUME JFK) AND CANNOT CONTACT. CO CO "B" CANNOT ARR UNTIL MORN OF 29SEP. CO CO "CAN BE DEL EASILY.

4. WE ARE READY FOR CONF IN ADDIS WITH MANY PLANS LAID. PLS ADV. REGRET THE NEC FOR LAST MIN INFO YET HAD NO CHOICE.

5. CO CO "F" SENDS.
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